GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6367
ANSWERED ON:08.05.2002
NGO`S PARTICIPATION IN ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS SECTOR
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes under Road Transport and Highways Sector where NGO`s participation is solicited;

(b) the total amount released under `National Highways Accident Relief Service Scheme` since 1998-99 till 2000-01, State-wise;

(c) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that there had been misuse of these funds by the States in the recent years; and

(d) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken to stop such incidents ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OFTHE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (MAJ. GENERAL (RETD.) KHANDURI)

(a): There are three schemes for Road Safety under this Ministry in which an NGO can participate. Details of these schemes are as given below

(i) Grants-in-aid for administering Road Safety Programmes.
Under this scheme grants-in-aid is provided to NGOs to undertake various types of road safety programmes for raising road safety consciousness among the road users, publicity campaigns on road safety, providing training facilities and medical aid to the victims of road accidents. Any registered Voluntary Organization engaged in research activity or field programmes relating to road safety for a period of at least two years can apply for financial assistance.

(ii). Refresher Training to Heavy Vehicle Drivers in Unorganised Sector

This scheme was formulated in 1997-98 for providing Refresher Training to Heavy Vehicle Drivers in Unorganised Sector, as most of the drivers of heavy vehicles do not have access to recognized training institutes and are generally uneducated and untrained. The scheme aims at to educating/ motivating the drivers to inculcate safe driving habits, rules of the road, understand the road signs and signals, road marks as well as rules and other provisions of Law, to keep the vehicle in road worthy condition and to develop understanding regarding the critical parts of the vehicle namely brake system, steering system, electric system, Tyre etc. Apart from this, medical check up is also done.

(iii) National Highway Accident Relief Service Scheme (NHARSS)

With a view to provide immediate medical assistance to the victims of road accidents and removing damaged vehicles from the National Highways, a National Highway Patrolling Scheme was finalised during 1993-94, under which Rupees Twenty Five lakhs was provided to States as one time financial assistance for procurement of one 16 ton crane and one ambulance. This scheme has been reviewed and modified in 2000-01 and now is implemented through States Government/ UTs and established NGOs in the field of road safety, by providing equipment in place of cash grant.

(b): Requisite details are annexed.

(c): No, Sir.

(d): Does not arise.

Annexure

DETAILS REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.6367 FOR REPLY ON 8TH 2002 ASKED BY SHRI R.L. JALAPPA AND SHRI G.S. BASAVARAJ REGARDING NGO`S PARTICIPATION IN F TRANSPORT AND HIGHWWAYS SECTOR.

LIST OF THE STATES/NGOs TO WHOM FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE HAVE BEEN PROVIDED FOR PURCHASE OF CRAN
AMBULANCE UNDER NATIONAL HIGHWAY PATROLLING SCHEME FORM THE YEAR 1998-99 TO 2000-01

(Amount in Lakhs)

Sl;No. Name of the States/UTs. Amount

1998-99

1. Delhi 25.00

2. Sikkim 25.00

3. Arunachal Pradesh 25.00

4. Meghalaya 25.00

5. Manipur 25.00
6. Pondicherry 25.00

7 Chandigarh 25.00

8. Bihar 25.00

1999-2000

9. Karnataka 25.00
10. Himachal Pradesh 25.00
11. Gujarat 25.00
12. Haryana 25.00
13. Assam 25.00
14. West Bengal 25.00
15. Uttar Pradesh 25.00
16. Madhya Pradesh 25.00
17. Mizoram 25.00
18. Tamil Nadu 25.00
19. Rajasthan 25.00

2000-2001+

S.No. Name of the States/UTs./NGOs Ambulances Cranes

20. Association of State Road Transport 28 -
Undertakings (Ambulance only)
21. M/s Lok Manya Medical Foundation 2 -
Chinchwad, Pune, MAHARASHTRA
22. M/s Automobile Association of Southern India 2 -
AASI Centre, 187, Anna Salai
Chennai, TAMILNADU
23. M/s Karunodaya Seva Sansthan, 2 -
Baracha, Mirzapur, UTTAR PRADESH
24. M/s Zoram Drivers Union, 1 -
Bawngkawn, Aizwal, MIZORAM
25. M/s Manipur Truck Owners Welfare Association, 1 -
M.G.AVENUE Imphal, MANIPUR
26. Association for Welfare of Backward classes in 1 -
Sikkim, Gurpisey, Namchi, South Sikkim,
27. M/s Rural Youth Coordination Centre, 1 -
Amnour; Distt.-Saran, BIHAR

28. Institute of Road Traffic Education, NEW DELHI.	2	-
29. Highway Users Centre, Mumbai (Ambulance transferred to Lokmanya Medical Foundation on State Government advice)	1	-

Note + = Crane have been provided to these NGOs during the subsequent years i.e.2001-2002.